



## Atlanta City Council District

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Boulevard Heights Capitol Towers Chosewood Park Englewood Manor Joyland Lakewood Leila Valley Mansour Farm Mechanicsville
Norwood Manor
Ormewood
Peoplestown
Rebel Forest
Robinson Heights
Shallow Circle
South Atlanta

SouthTowne Tapestry Community Thomasville Ware Estates

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## **PARKS**

Benteen Park Browns Mill Golf Course Chosewood Park Daniel Stanton Park Four Corners Park Georgia Hill Center **Grant Park** Kimpson Park Oak Knoll II Park Ormond-Grant Park Phoenix II Park Phoenix III Park Rawson-Washington Park Rebel Valley Playlot South Atlanta Park South Bend Park Thomasville Park

Tullwater Park



City Council District 1 is a diverse community of people that contains more than 21 neighborhoods and all or part of neighborhood planning units (NPUs) V, W, Y and Z. The District features some of Atlanta's most popular venues, including Zoo Atlanta, Turner Field and Grant Park.

District 1 is one of the more park-rich districts in the City, with the fifth highest park acreage among all districts. The average Council District contains slightly more than 297 acres; District 1 contains nearly 315. No Council District has more playgrounds, ballfields or outdoor basketball courts.

The Grant Park Conservancy has been extremely active for a number of years to improve one of Atlanta's best known parks. A Park Pride survey conducted by the Schapiro Research Group found that 36% of Atlanta residents had visited Grant Park in the last six months.

In addition to the Grant Park Conservancy, the District has an active Friends of Peoplestown Park, strong community interest in Chosewood Park, and a newly formed Friends of Jaci Fuller Park. Park Pride will be working with the Friends of Peoplestown Parks to develop new conceptual master plans for D.L. Stanton and Four Corners Parks.

The Atlanta BeltLine project promises to add a small but significant amount of parkland and trails to District 1. About two miles of the BeltLine bisect the District. A trail that intersects the BeltLine will connect Grant Park to Chosewood Park. The BeltLine Work Plan will create a new park, Boulevard Crossing, in the Chosewood Community. It also calls for acquiring greenspace to link D.L. Stanton and Four Corners Parks to each other and the Beltline. A trail also will link the BeltLine to the proposed 500-acre Honor Farm Park just across the City line from District 1.



The quality of life of a great city is determined by the character of its public spaces, where residents meet, shop, do business, play or simply wander. Within the public realm, no area plays a more important role in our quality of life than parks and greenspace.

Each and every day, parks and greenspace improve Atlanta's quality of life. They clean the air, filter polluted water and help keep children off the street. Parks improve physical health, promote mental well-being and help children learn. Parks help reduce crime and strengthen the economy. Perhaps most importantly, parks unite neighbors, foster friendships and build community.

The City of Atlanta has 338 parks totaling 3570 acres. Atlanta's Park System is among the smallest park systems for a major American City. Among the nation's 25 largest cities, Atlanta has the smallest percentage of land dedicated to parks. The good news is that Atlanta has made significant investments in its park system in the last several years. The 2006 budget increased park funding by nearly \$3 million, a 10% increase. The BeltLine promises to add more than 1000 acres of new parks, and the City passed a three-year \$105 million bond for parks and greenspace. Given the commitment of the Mayor and Council, Atlanta's park future appears bright.

## FAST FACTS - DISTRICT 1

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Number of Parks	24
Parks ≥ 1 Acre	15
Total Park Acres	314.6
Largest Park	Grant
Playgrounds	15
Ballfields	12
Tennis Courts	13
Outdoor Basketball Courts	11
Recreation Centers	5